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WHY BOTHER?

(From Petersburg Progress-Index)

That bill which has been introduced in the Virginia House of Delegates aimed at outlawing the Communist party in the state is novel and unexpected, but beyond that there is not much to be said for it. If the United States government were to take such action, then the states might help the cause by enacting parallel legislation, but many people remain to be convinced that outlawing this party is the best means of dealing with it. Unless we are wholly misinformed, the Communist party in Virginia is a negligible political force, and though no Communist outfit relies greatly upon numerical strength we doubt that the one in Virginia is potent by any test.

Dealing sternly with Communists in government or other vital places is one thing, but proscribing the party is something else again and a step which should not be taken without due deliberation by a state which has had a great deal to do with defining and establishing civil liberties in America. We question that any people who would overthrow government by force are entitled to the protection of its civil liberties, but until there is a real danger we could safely postpone giving the answer. As yet we see no reason to revise the view that an individual has a right to be a Communist but that he should be willing to stand up and be counted and accept the disability which public opinion puts upon him.

Jap miners to get cigarettes from United States.

False Convictions Boost Cost of Mental Ailments

False ideas about mental illness help keep patients in mental hospitals who ought to be cured or discharged, increase the amount of mental illness and waste millions of tax dollars, Stephen Thiermann, writes in the health magazine of American Medical association.

The false conviction that "mental illness is a disgrace," he says, makes people hesitate to consult mental health clinics before their illnesses become severe. "This boycott of clinics, of course, increases mental illness, puts more patients in hospitals and takes more tax dollars out of our pockets. Each commitment prevented saves the state $5,000 to $7,000, estimated cost of an average period of hospitalization."

The idea that insanity is incurable costs us even more, Thiermann observes. Although modern treatment in psychiatry brings more recoveries than in any other branch of medical science except obstetrics, expenditures for mental hospitals are so inadequate that many of them are not modern treatment centers, but mere custodial units.

"One authority has estimated that public neglect of our mental hospitals means that 20 per cent of all persons admitted to a state mental institution are doomed to life imprisonment, when with adequate care and treatment they could be saved," he writes.

U. S. rejects Russian protest on warships.

Attorney General of Virginia dies at age of 67.

Fuel shortage is tightening over the nation.

National Guard recruiting drops.

Gasoline From Weeds

The weeds that cost the farmer billions of dollars a year in crop damage may prove a valuable source of synthetic gasoline and oil, Prof. S. W. Hockett, Iowa Wesleyan college, reported to American Chemical society. Rank of fuel proves insignificant where liquefaction is concerned. Lignite, peat, wood, chaff or even weeds may serve as raw material for the manufacture of liquid synthetic fuel. Exploitation of oil from coal and other new sources will be no less significant than the discovery of a new continent he reported. Because of its enormous reserves of low-cost raw materials for these synthetic fuels, Midwestern America promises to become the industrial power center of the world.

Radiant Heating Best

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Live Alone and Like It

The people of mountain-ringed Tibet, after losing some of their prized isolation during the war, are reported ready to close their border until 1950. This perennial recluse among nations is about 10 times the size of Pennsylvania. Home of herders, farmers, priests and bandits, it is the core of a wild and harsh region, in itself a "no trespassing" sign. On the south rises the towering barrier of the Himalayas, which discourage contact with India's millions and block off the barren plateau from the monsoon rains. North and east into China stretch the soaring peaks of the Kunlun range. On the west are bleak desert plateaus and mountains.

Nehru says government of India must end violence or resign.

House passes tax cut bill.

Bottle 'Bank' Floats to Safety After Long Voyage

OTTUMWA, IOWA. — A bottle containing a $20 bill and key to a safe deposit box was washed away from the William Fry home here last June in the Des Moines river flood. The bottle had been concealed in a hollow in the basement wall.

It was found three months later by a farmwife four miles south of town, floating in a river backwater. But it took the farmwife, Mrs. Fred McElroy, six months to locate the owner.

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Other Real Estate	8,613.12	none
Furniture and Fixtures	2,666.40	2,681.39
U. S. Government Securities	75,630.37	576,739.01
State and Municipal Bonds	17,986.40	9,776.63
Other Securities	13,906.92	30,499.97
Other Assets		1,007.11
	$479,894.33	$1,776,669.09

	Dec. 31, 1937	Dec. 31, 1947
Capital, Common	40,000.00	40,000.00
Capital, Preferred	10,000.00	None
Surplus	20,000.00	60,000.00
Undivided Profits	2,471.13	10,116.67
Reserve for Contingencies	589.14	1,000.00
Demand Deposits	115,019.14	597,864.49
Time Deposits	281,078.25 396,097.39	1,059,464.31 1,657,328.80
Reserves for Interest, Taxes, etc.	2,960.67	8,223.62
Bills Payable	10,000.00	None
	$479,894.33	$1,776,669.09

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TIMES - VIRGINIAN COMICS

MUTT AND JEFF
By Bud Fisher
I'E GOOD TO SEE YOU, GUS! HAVE A SMOKE!
WHATEVER BECAME OF THAT CUTE KITTEN YOU HAD WHEN I WAS HERE BEFORE?
WHY, DON'T YOU KNOW?
NO! DON'T TELL ME IT WAS DROWNED OR POISONED!
NOPE! GUESS AGAIN!
WAS IT STOLEN? WHAT HAPPENED TO HER?
SHE JES' GROWED INTO A CAT!
NANCY
By Ernie Bushmiller
SLUGGO IS GETTING SO LAZY LATELY--- I'M WORRIED ABOUT HIM.
Y'KNOW, NANCY--- DIS IS TH' KIND OF WEATHER MAKES A FELLER WISH HE WAS INSIDE
LITTLE REGGIE
By Margarita
AND NEXT ON THE PROGRAM...WE PRESENT REGINALD ODAY,...WHO WILL PLAY A SELECTION FROM CARMEN!
JITTER
By Arthur Pointer
YOU CAN COME IN NOW, BUT DON'T LET DAD KNOW YOU'RE THERE HE'S MAD AT YOU FOR BREAKING THAT STONE WINDOW!
QUICK--HIDE! HERE HE COMES! I'LL SOUND HIM OUT TO SEE HOW HE FEELS!
WITH A LEG OF CHICKEN AND SOME MILK MIXTURE FOR ME IN THIS ICE BOX. I COULDN'T BE ANGRY WITH ANYONE!
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Slacks, Self Service Spark Gas Stations

Novel Idea Catches On With a Bang; Business Terrific.

HOLLYWOOD. — Motorists with an eye both for thrift and for pretty girls in tight slacks are lining up in droves these days to fill their own tanks.

A string of self-service gas stations is the lastest tourist attraction in East Los Angeles, South Gate and Long Beach.

Gas is cheaper there than anywhere else in town. Prices range from a nickel less than the 'super-service' stations get to a tenth of a cent less than the independents charge.

That's one reason why these "fill-'er-up-yourself" lots are catching on. The other reasons, wearing slacks and sweaters, scooting around on roller skates.

They're the "cashiers." Five or six gorgeous lasses who take your money with a be-dimpled smile and whiz away for change.

That's all the help you get. Want your tires checked? Windshield cleaned? Radiator watered? Do it yourself.

"It was a big gamble," the manager, Hugh Lacy admitted.

"The gasoline business is the most competitive in the state. That "super-service" gimmick is how big stations drag in customers.

"We decided if self-service would work in food markets, it would work in gas stations. Business has been terrific."

Boy Admits Slaying Sister Because She 'Nagged' Him

LAS ANIMAS, COLO. — Jimmy Melton, 12, said he was "sorry inside" about the slaying of his sister, Phyllis Marie, 16, whom he has admitted killing because "she was always nagging me."

The freckled-faced schoolboy, however, manifested little emotion over the shooting. The girl was shot five times as she sat wrapping presents in the family living room.

Sheriff L. E. Brookshire and Police Chief M. L. Cline said the boy signed a confession that he armed himself with his father's 22-caliber rifle and fired five shots at his sister.

If tried and convicted on a murder charge, young Melton would be sentenced to life imprisonment. Colorado law forbids imposition of the death penalty on any person under 18 years of age.

The boy's father, James H. Melton Sr., 51, a hardware store employe, was shaken and grief stricken when he visited Jimmy at his jail cell.

When he asked, "Why did you do it?" the boy mumbled, "I don't know."

Photographic Prints Used On Textiles and Glassware

Photographic prints are appearing on textiles, pottery and glassware. Recent developments make it possible to print fabrics continuously with designs obtained from photographic negatives. Chinaware, too, is treated with a photosensitive material, which is developed during the firing. Another new process makes colorless glass photosensitive throughout its body, and development of the image takes place when the glass is reheated.

Although the principle of printing photographs on textiles has been known for some time, until now there has been no practical method adapted to continuous operation. This, with a lack of proper dyes and finishing agents, made photographs on fabrics slow and costly, and the results did not appeal to fashion designers. Recently, two processes have been developed for commercial operation.

It is estimated that about six million yards of textiles will be printed this year for dresses, scarves, draperies and ties. Material thus printed is expected to be used in theatrical backdrops and window displays as well as in clothing accessories embellished with pictures of favorite movie stars.

Both processes are intricate and require close control by chemists and photographers. The fabric is treated like photographic paper; it is sensitized to light, then brought into contact with a transparent film. Light shining through the film prints the design on the fabric.

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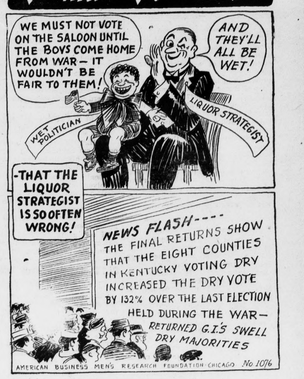
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